51. Jharkhand Mukti Morcha

52. Mizo National Union

53. Naga National Party

54. National Democratic Party

55. Republican Party of India

56. Republican Party of India (Khobragade)

57. Socialist Unity Centre of India

58. Tamilar Desiya Lyyakkam

59. United Tribal Nationalist Liberation Front.

Export of Oilseeds and Solvent extracts

2019. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have explored the possibility of export of oilseeds and solvent extracts to South Asian and Far Eastern countries; and

(b) if so, what specific steps have been taken in this direction ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DASMUNSHI) : (a) and (b) The export potential in respect of HPS groundnut, sesame seed; and solvent extracted oilmeals in South East Asian and Far East Countries was explored though delegations sponsored by the Indian Oil and produce Exporters Association in January 1989 and Solvent Extractors' Association of India in March 1989 to these countries. The visit has helped in establishing contacts with the importers and in projecting our capability to supply these items. Contacts with the importers for exploring the export potential that these countries offer are being maintained.

Lending by Asian Development Bank

2020. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) what is the estimated amount of lending by the Asian Development Bank for the year 1989-90; and

(b) what are the details regarding the major beneficiaries of such loan facilities?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO) : (a) and (b) The lending Programme for 1989-90 has not yet been finalised. For 1988-89, ADB committed assistance totalling dollars 493 million for three projects in India. In 1989-90, so far a Telecommunications Project has been negotiated for which an ADB commitment of dollars 118 million has been obtained.

Spurt in prices of raw jute

2021. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a spurt in the prices of raw jute; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps are contemplated to check the price rise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The spurt in raw jute prices was due mainly to tight availability of the old crop during the fag end of the last jute season 1988-89 and anticipated lower production coupled with delayed arrival of jute crop during current season.

In order to contain spurt in raw jute prices the following steps have been taken:

(1) Grant of advance licence for import of raw jute for fulfilling export orders.